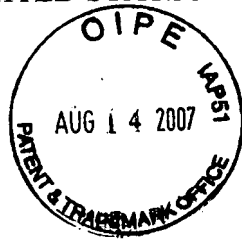


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Sir:

In response to the Notification to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures dated May 14, 2007, the period for response having been extended for one month by the attached petition, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.